

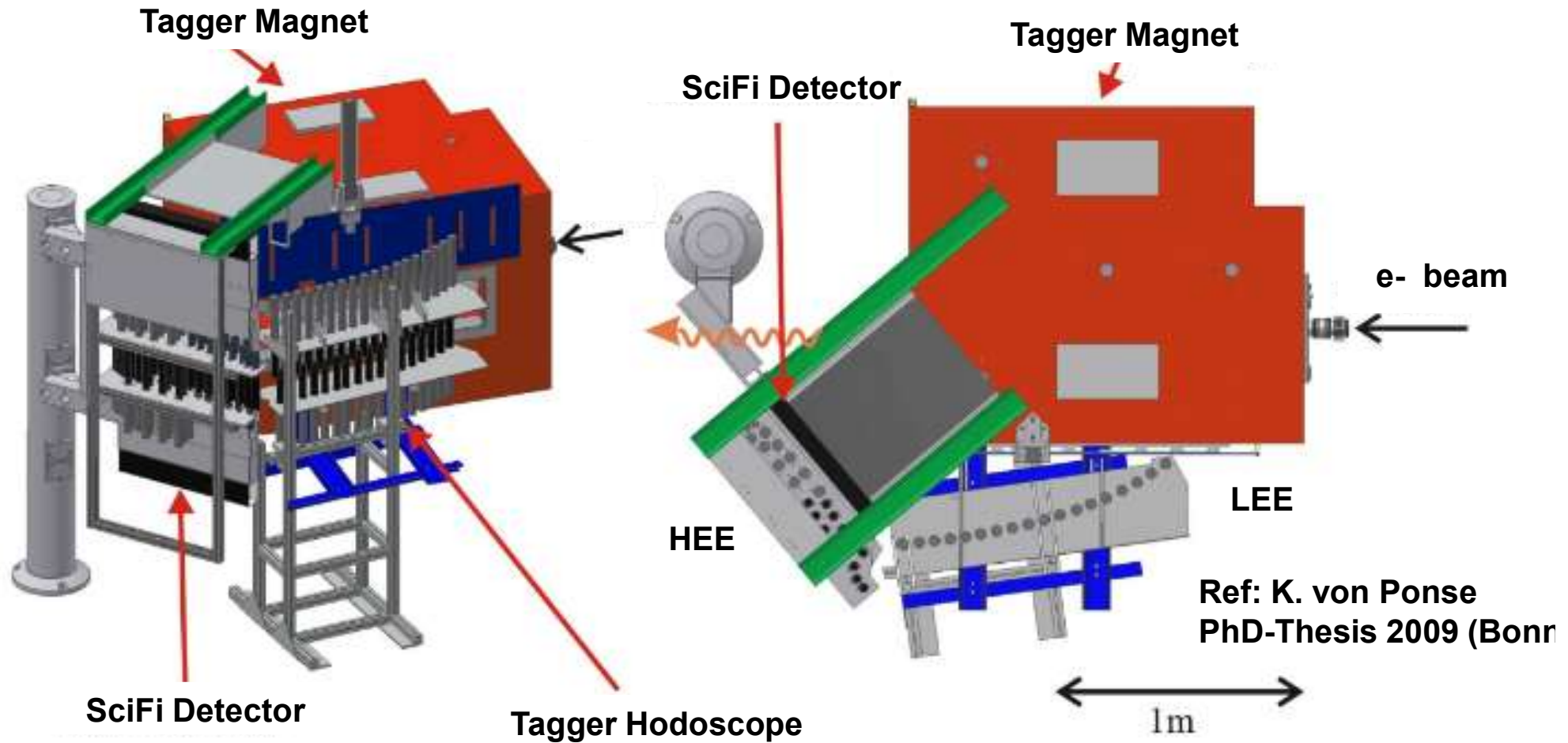
# New Tagger Hodoscope for the INSIGHT-Experiment at ELSA

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# Photon Tagging System at ELSA



High rates 1 MHz for scattered electrons

Time resolution in the order of 0.5 ns (FWHM)

96 scintillator bars (BC404) with PM readout  
1 cm to 5 cm detector width

SiFi detector at high electron energy range (HEE)

**New detector with time resolution in the order of 50 ps for the INSIGHT experiment**

# New Photon Tagging Detector

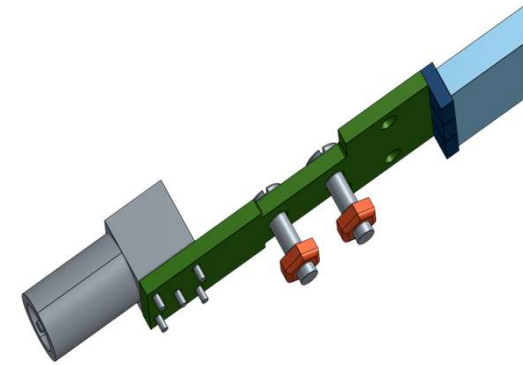
Use scintillator strips with modern SiPM's

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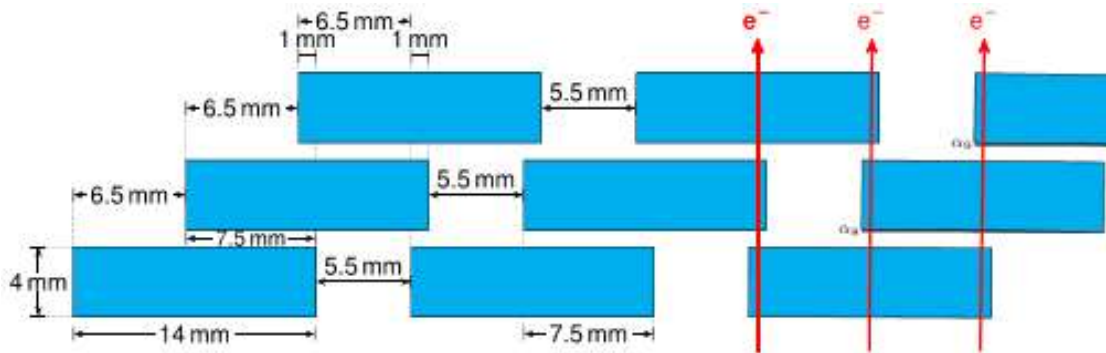
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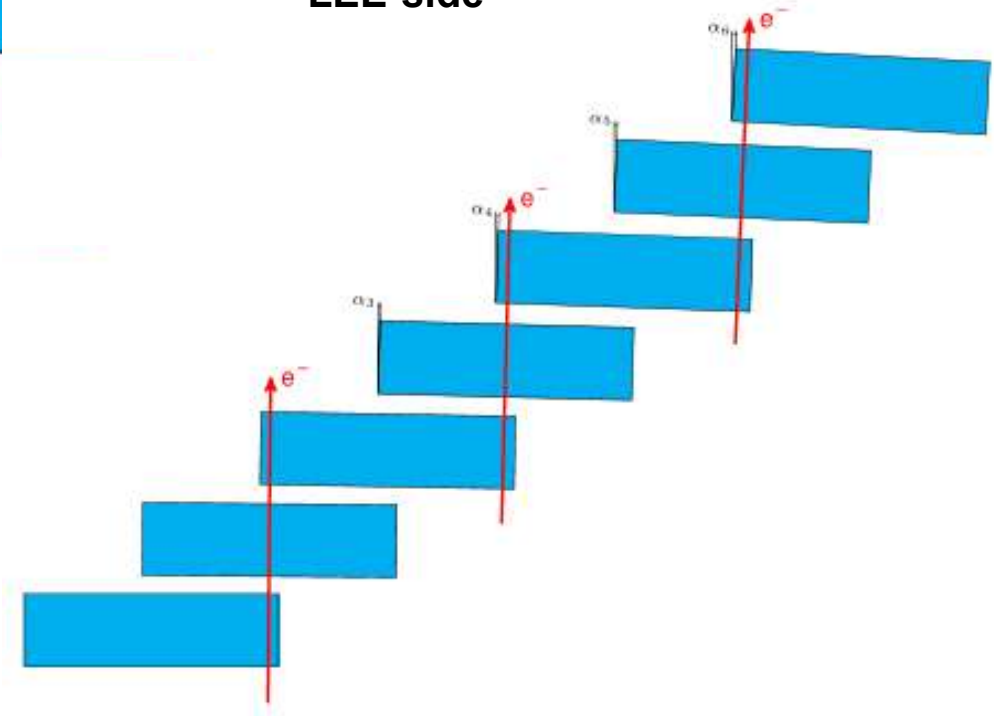
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HEE-side



LEE-side



- full overlap of detectors ( $\geq 2$  det. per  $e^-$  hit)  
improve energy resolution at the LEE side
- perpendicular hit of  $e^-$
- 271 single scintillator strips

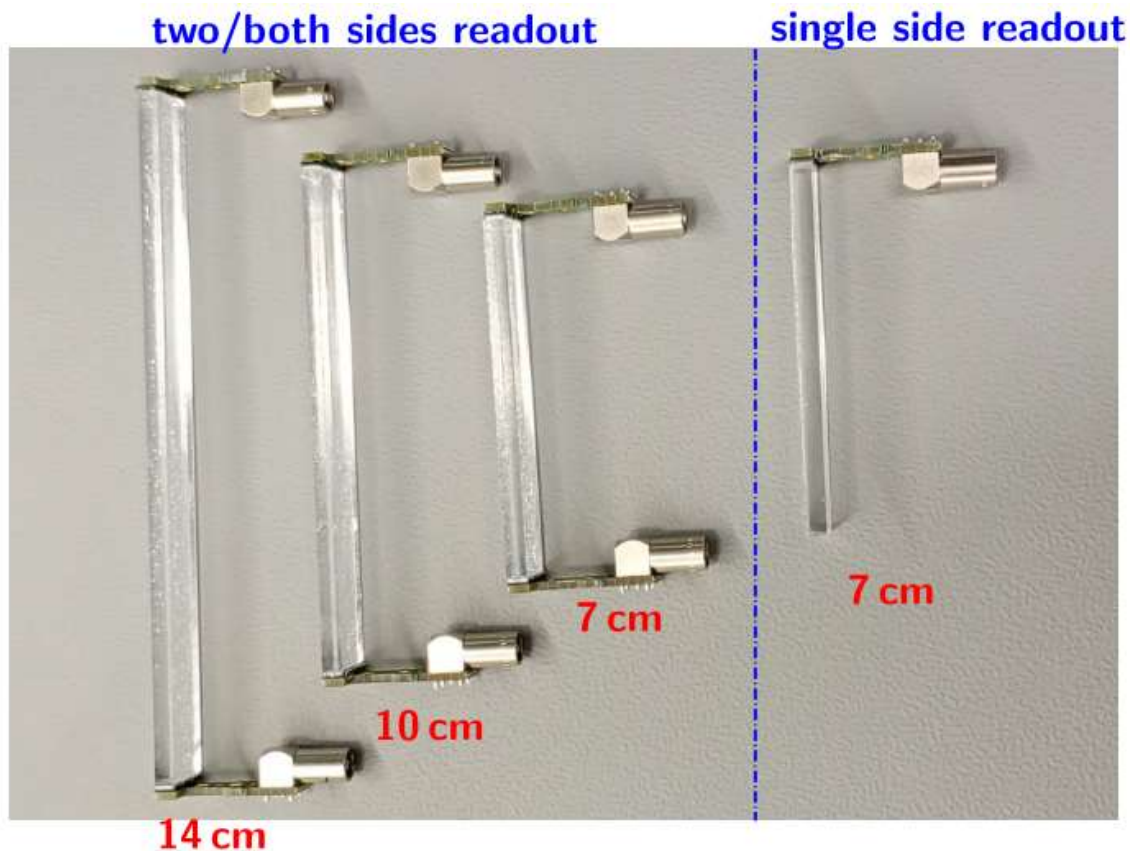
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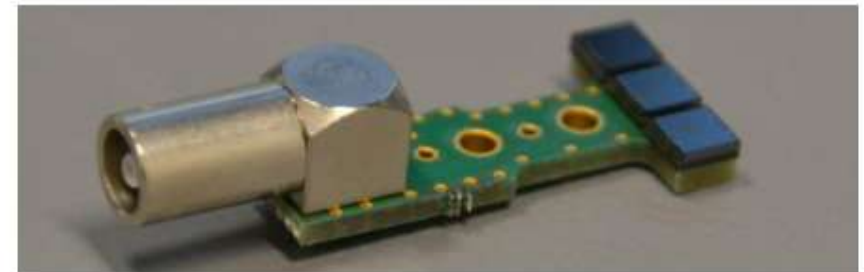
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C.Tezel, FTD electronic workshop



- 3 SiPMs in series
- $U_{\text{SiPM}} = 96 \text{ V} - 147 \text{ V}$

Ref: P. Rosinsky Master-Thesis 2025 (Bonn)

# New Photon Tagging Detector

## Time resolution for scintillators with SiPM readout

Ref: S. Gundackert and P. Lecoq (CERN)

$$\sigma_{\min} \propto \sqrt{\frac{\tau_d \cdot \left( 1.57 \cdot \tau_r + 1.13 \cdot \sqrt{\sigma_{\text{PTS}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{SPTR}}^2} \right)}{\text{LY} \cdot \text{PDE}}}$$

### scintillation material:

- $\tau_{d,r}$ : decay/rise time detector
- **LY**: Light Yield per unit energy

### SiPMs:

- **PDE**: Photon Detection Efficiency
- $\sigma_{\text{PTS}}$ : Photon transfer Time Spread (std.dev.)
- $\sigma_{\text{SPTR}}$ : Single Photon Time Resolution (std.dev.)

### Improving $\sigma$ :

- $\downarrow \tau_d, \tau_r$
- $\downarrow \sigma_{\text{PTS}}, \sigma_{\text{SPTR}}$
- $\uparrow \text{PDE}, \text{LY}$

# New Photon Tagging Detector

## Different scintillator materials:

Names		Description	$\tau_{\text{rise}}/\text{ns}$	$\tau_{\text{decay}}/\text{ns}$	LO/%	$\gamma/\text{MeV}$
EJ-204	BC-404	use with green WLS	0.7	1.8	68	10 400
EJ-228	BC-418	very fast timing (<10 cm)	0.5	1.2	67	10 200
EJ-230	BC-420	EJ-228, for >10 cm	0.5	1.3	64	9 700
EJ-232	BC-422	very fast timing (<10 cm)	0.35	1.6	55	8 400
EJ-232Q	BC-422Q	ultra-fast timing – (0.5 %)	0.11	0.7	19	2 900

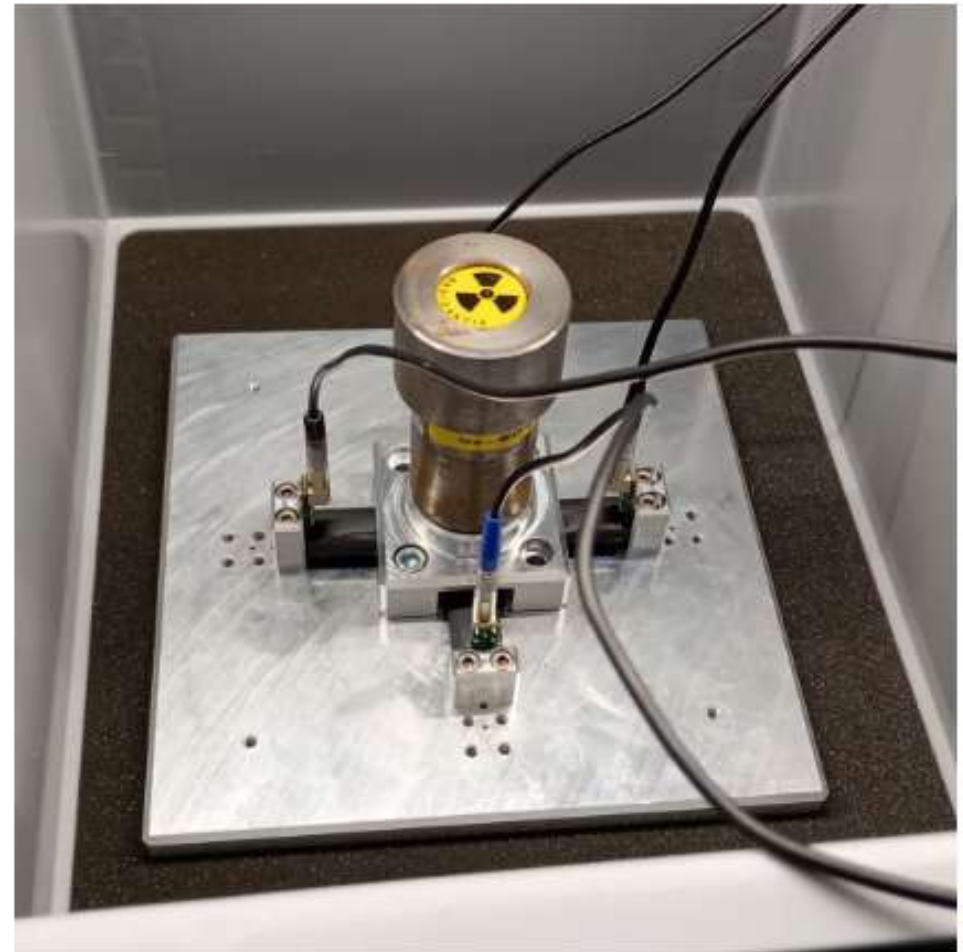
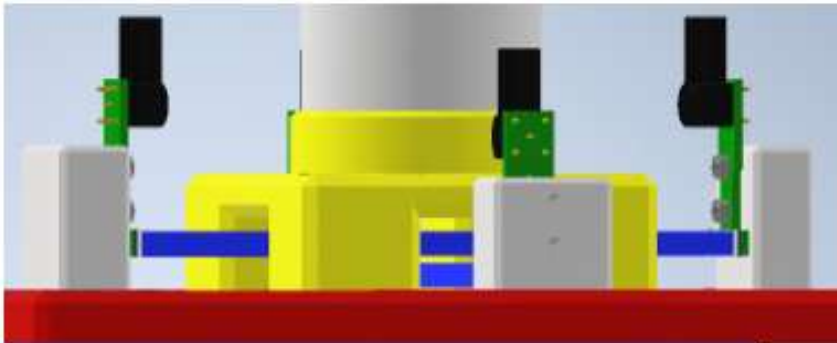
## Different silicon photomultipliers (SiPM):

- **Broadcom SiPM** with high PDE (65%) and small SPTR time (100ps)
- **Hamamatsu SiPM**

# Detector Test Setup

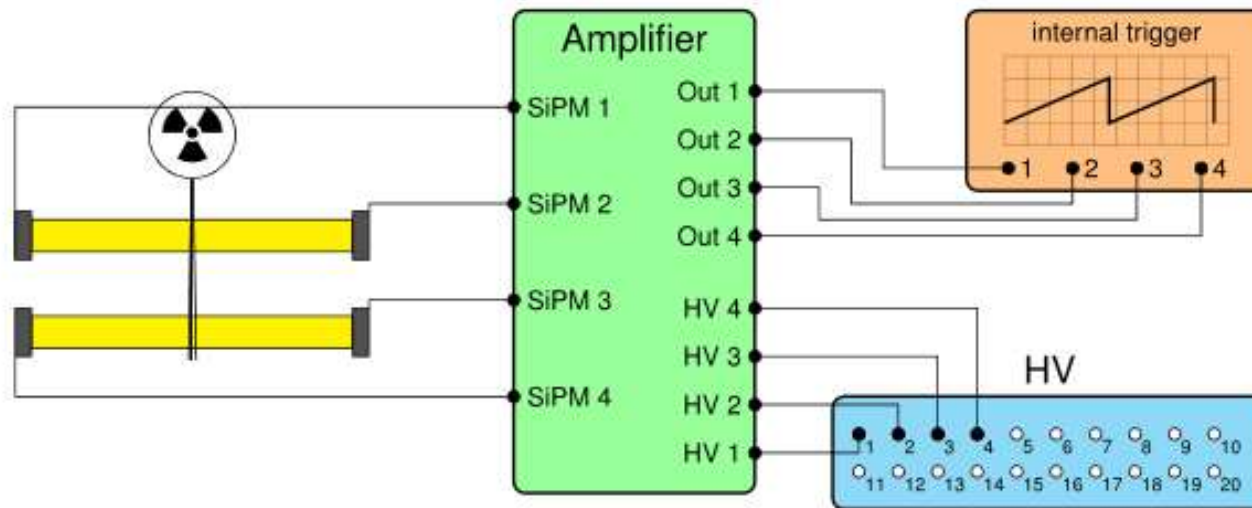
## components:

- ground plate
- table
- collimator with  $^{90}\text{Sr}$
- detector with PCB board
- blocks (holding detector)
  - different heights
  - upper/lower detector



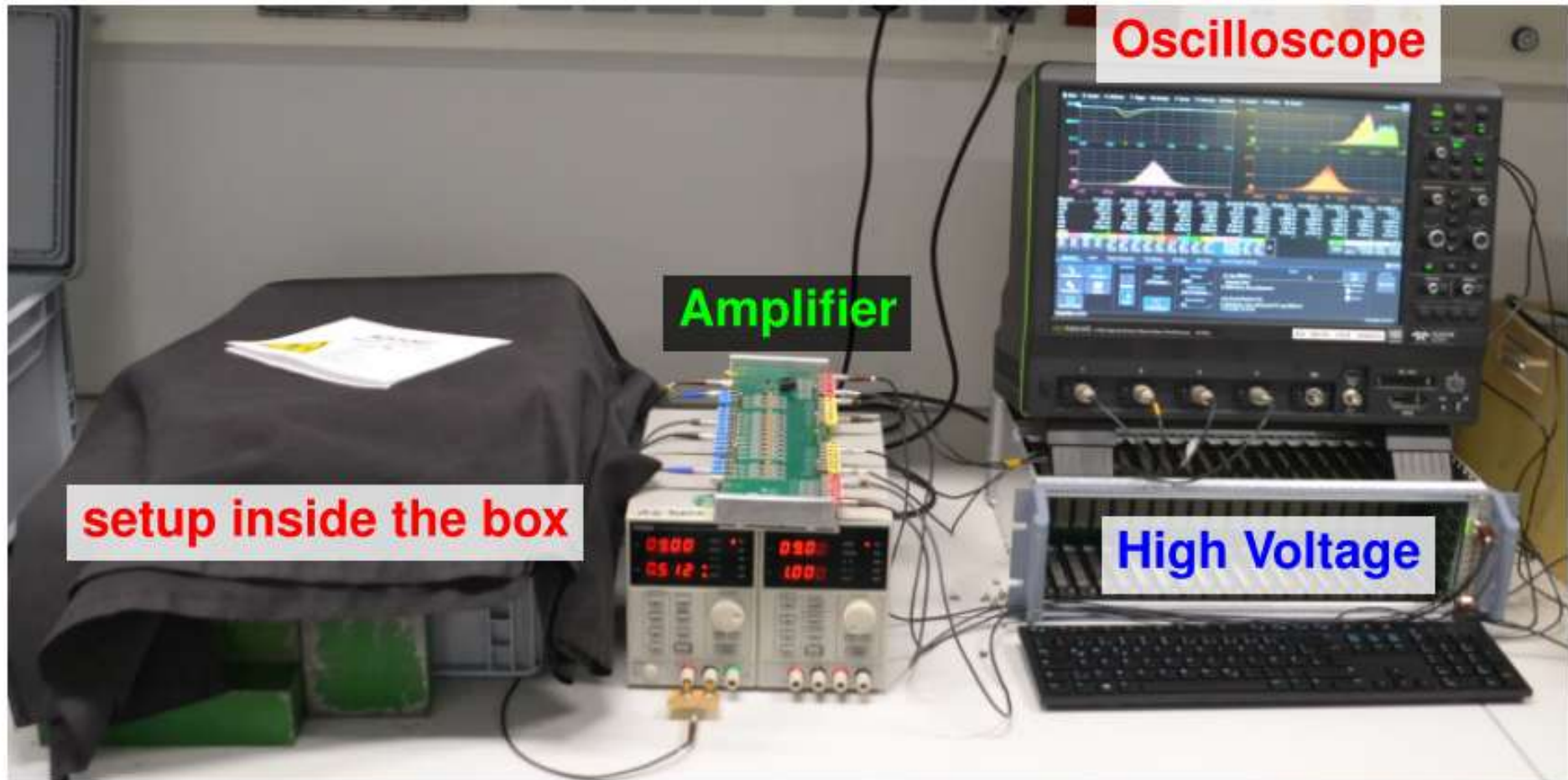
**Two test setups** : Bonn (P. Rosinsky, M. Lang, P. Hurck)  
Bochum (F. Afzal, V. Willing)

# Detector Test Setup



- detectors + SiPMs
- Amplifier from PSI & Tel Aviv University [11]
- HV unit from PSI (CH) – not commercialized 20ch with 0–300 V DC, 1 mA
- Scope for readout
- Scope prior analysis → histograms (e.g. for  $\Delta t$ )
- trigger: coincidence (in scope)

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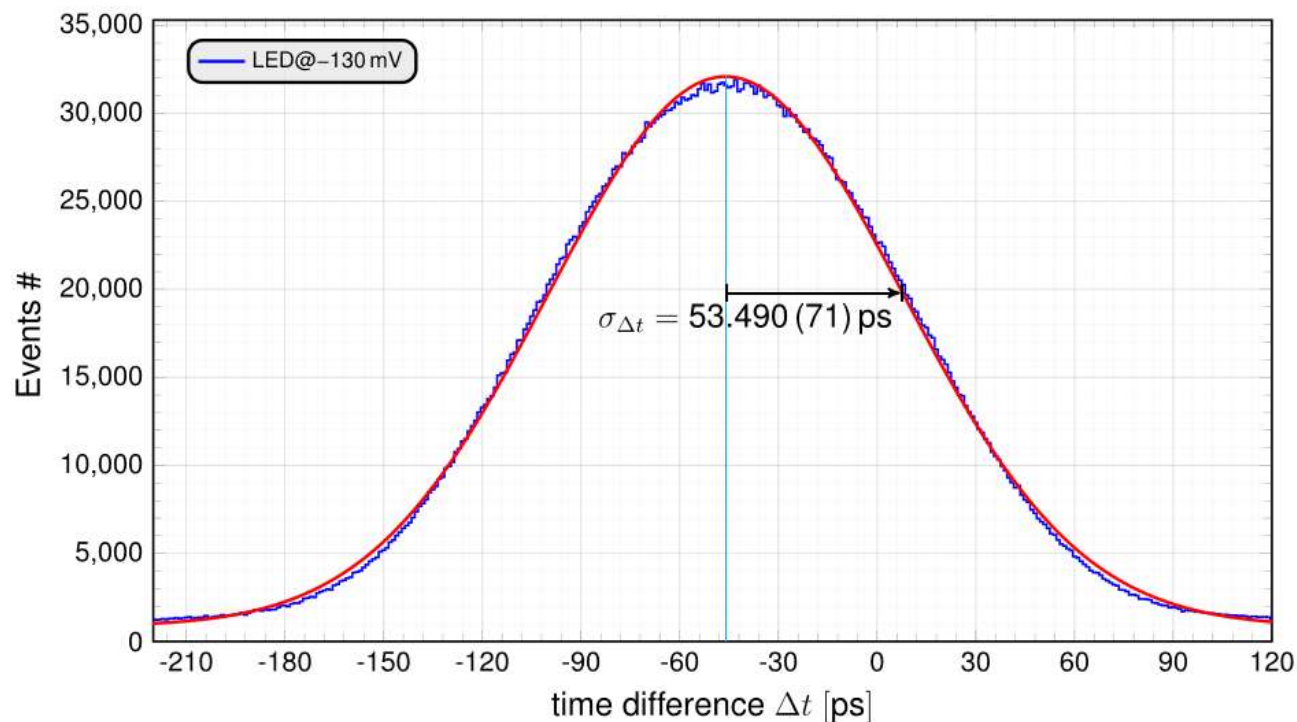


# First Results

Material	length	$U_{\text{over}}/\text{V}$	$\sigma_{\Delta t}/\text{ps}$	$\sigma_{\text{avg}}/\text{ps}$
BC-422	70 mm	12	62.26(35)	31.13(18)
BC-422	100 mm	12	71.15(37)	35.58(19)
BC-422	140 mm	12	82.37(23)	41.19(12)
BC-422Q	70 mm	12	53.490(71)	26.745(36)
BC-422Q	4 mm	12	35.860(37)	17.93(19)



7 cm BC-422Q



$$\sigma_{\text{avg}} = 27 \text{ ps}$$

# Results and Outlook

**R&D on scintillator material and SiPM's:** BC422Q and Broadcom SiPMs, close to finalize

**HV units for SiPM's:** PSI design, successful tests, ready to order

## **Important next steps:**

**Amplifier:** PSI design has to be adapted to our final detector design together with the FTD electronic workshop

**Full tagger simulation :**

**Design new holding structure:** together with FTD and mechanical workshop

**Prototype of 20 channel :** Final holding structure, final amplifier with new readout system, prototype test on an electron beam

# **Spare Transperencies**

# Time Resolution

Here: Measuring time difference  $\Delta t \rightarrow \sigma_{\Delta t}$

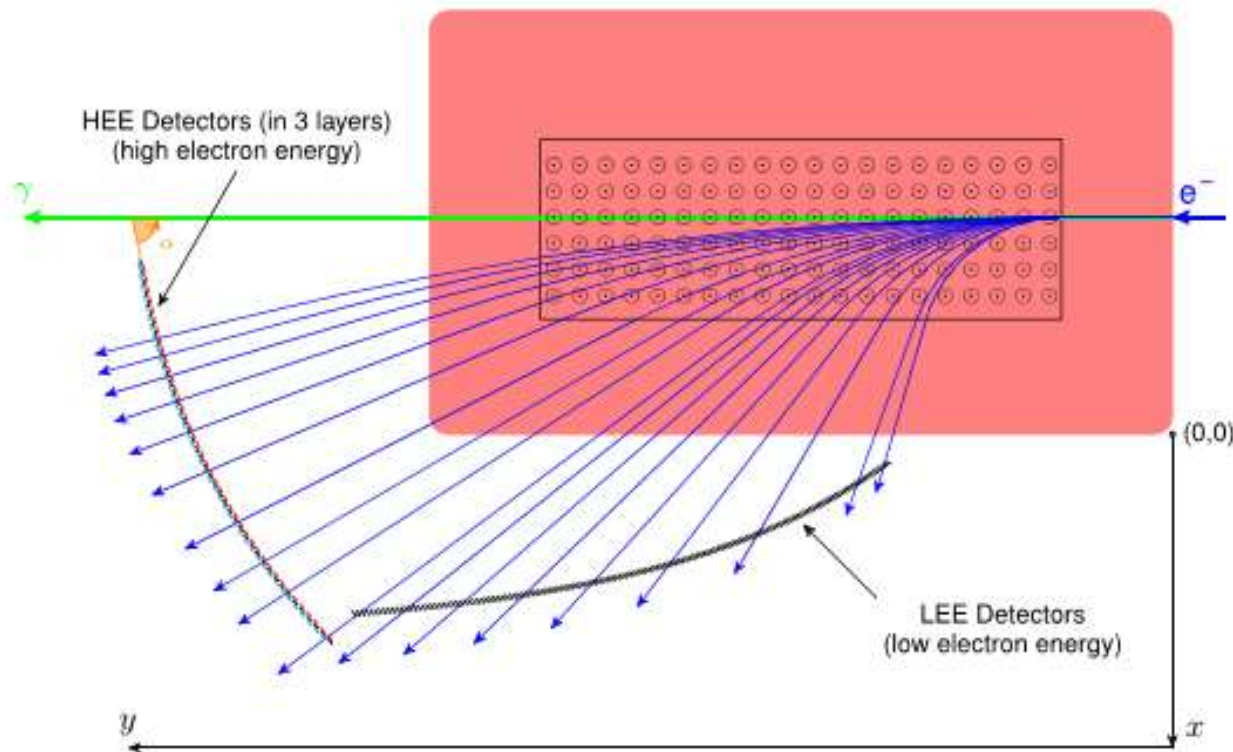
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta t &= t_1 - t_2 \\ \sigma_{\Delta t} &= \sqrt{\sigma_{t_1}^2 + \sigma_{t_2}^2} \quad \sigma_{t_1} = \sigma_{t_2} = \sigma_t \quad \sqrt{2} \cdot \sigma_t\end{aligned}$$

$\sigma_t$ : time res “per SiPM”

final experiment (average for time-point)

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{t} &= \frac{t_1 + t_2}{2} \\ \sigma_{\bar{t}} &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\sigma_{t_1}^2 + \sigma_{t_2}^2} = \frac{\sigma_t}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sigma_{\Delta t}}{2}\end{aligned}$$

# New Tagging Detector



- keep or improve energy resolution
- aim:  $\sigma \leq 100$  ps
- 271 detectors
- width 14 mm, thickness 4 mm
- LEE: in a curved row
- HEE: 3 layers  $\rightarrow$  full overlap

# Scattered Electron Beam Profile

